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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1007

Introduced by: Representatives Munson (Donald), Chicoine, Duxbury, Hagen, McNenny,
Moore, Schaunaman, and Weber and Senators Aker and Johnson (William)

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION, Proposing and submitting to the electors at the next general election
2 an amendment to Article III, section 6 of the Constitution of the State of South Dakota,
3 relating to staggered four-year terms, mileage reimbursement, and term limits for members
4 of the Legislature.

5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF
6 SOUTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

7 Section 1. That at the next general election held in the state, the following amendment to
8 Article III, section 6 of the Constitution of the State of South Dakota, as set forth in section 2
9 of this Joint Resolution, which is hereby agreed to, shall be submitted to the electors of the state
10 for approval.

11 Section 2. That Article III, section 6 of the Constitution of the State of South Dakota, be
12 amended to read as follows:

13 § 6. The terms of office of the members of the Legislature shall be ~~two~~ four years; ~~they~~. The
14 Legislature shall provide, by statute, for the staggering of terms. Legislators shall receive for
15 their services the salary fixed by law under the provisions of § 2 of Article XXI of this

1 Constitution, and ~~five cents~~ reimbursement, as set by statute, for every mile of necessary travel
2 in going to and returning from the place of meeting of the Legislature on the most usual route.

3 No person may serve more than ~~four consecutive terms or a total of eight consecutive years~~
4 ~~in the senate and more than four consecutive terms or a total of eight consecutive years in the~~
5 ~~house of representatives~~ twelve consecutive years in the Legislature. However, this restriction
6 does not apply to partial terms to which a legislator may be appointed or to legislative service
7 before January 1, 1993.

8 A regular session of the Legislature shall be held in each odd-numbered year and shall not
9 exceed forty legislative days, excluding Sundays, holidays and legislative recess, except in cases
10 of impeachment, and members of the Legislature shall receive no other pay or perquisites except
11 salary and mileage.

12 A regular session of the Legislature shall be held in each even-numbered year ~~beginning with~~
13 ~~the year 1964~~ and shall not exceed thirty-five legislative days, excluding Sundays, holidays and
14 legislative recess, except in cases of impeachment, and members of the Legislature shall receive
15 no other pay or perquisites except salary and mileage.